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Congressman Akin Pleased to Announce the Addition of Ten Boeing C-17's to the Defense Authorization Bill

Washington, DC - Congressman Todd Akin (MO-2), the Ranking Member of the Oversight & Investigations Subcommittee of the House Armed Services Committee, is pleased to announce the addition of ten new Boeing C-17's to the Defense Authorization Bill.

"While President Bush's budget did not originally include any Boeing C-17's," said Congressman Akin, "I am pleased to announce our hard work on the House Armed Services Committee has resulted in the addition of ten C-17's."

Akin continued, "The C-17 is the workhorse of the Air Force's military machine. The C-17 is crucial to our Air Force's missions around the globe. It not only projects power and strength to the world, it delivers the necessary hardware to our troops on the ground, and is an instrumental part of the humanitarian causes that our military is called on to conduct."